



Family day program ends activities at Tri-City

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NEWARK — The Tri-City People's Center at 915-91 South 19th St. closed its summer activities with a family day program on Saturday. Over 200 parents and children attended.

The theme of the program was "Family Day." It was sponsored through the M.J. Cambell Center and Garden State Arts Center. In addition four agencies cooperated with the assignment of 35 youth workers. Participating agencies were COPE, PEP, Neighborhood Youth Corps, M. Carmel Guild.

According to the executive director, Mrs. Rebecca Andrade, a contribution of \$500 from the State of New Jersey helped finance the arts program which included a part-time instructor and purchase of materials and supplies. "Sun Oil" which made its presentation to us earlier in the year is maintaining an interest in the efforts," said

TRI-CITY CITIZENS UNION FOR PROGRESS

Tri-City marks a decade

NEWARK, N.J. — Tri-City County Citizens Union for Progress celebrated its tenth year of operation by hosting an All People's Mini-Conference on Saturday, Jan. 22.

The purpose of the "mini-conference," stated the organization's executive director Rebecca Andrade, "is to continue to work to attain the original goals of the organization."

The group's accomplishments include acquiring a housing cooperative; establishing a center; providing a center for over 100 children and sponsoring a women's and children's clinic.

The day featured a square-block tour of the target area, around the 300 unit complex has been rehabilitated and maintained by Tri-City. The activities were designed to enlighten the area's predominantly black and Hispanic population to the services and facilities provided by the Citizens Union.

These services are free of charge. Funds are generated from public and private grants as well as fundraising events. Workshops explaining the program were conducted in Spanish and English. Also discussed in the workshop was the organization's 1977 objectives.

Memorial Foundation

Maggie Thompson, Ernie's widow, lives in Orange and is involved with the Ernest Thompson Memorial Foundation, located in Newark. The foundation had been started in 1974 by herself and Thompson's friends with the goal of raising funds to publish the book. The foundation has now completed its purpose and gone out of existence, but money

is on the Board of Tri-Cities Citizens' Union, and is also active in Citizens for Representative Government.

Friends felt so strongly about Thompson that they were willing to give their own money to the memorial foundation, says Mrs. Thompson. "It would have been absolutely impossible to do the book without the support of Ernie's friends," she says.

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FIRST HOUSE — Rev. William Fox, left, and Ernest R. Winston, right, hold ribbon for Roscoe Brunson Jr., who will be one of first resident in newly renovated house in as youngster de monies yesterday first of 29 to



CO-AUTHOR...Mindy Thompson wrote "Homeboy Comes to Orange" with her father, Ernie Thompson.